

Year End Directorate Outturn

All analysis completed in £/k

Directorate: Chief Executive

Table 1: Year end position (by service):

Service	Net Budget	Net Outturn	Variance	M9 prediction	Variance compared to M9 prediction
Chief Executive	554	513	-41	-36	-5
Benefits & Exchequer	1,069	1,007	-62	-87	25
Human Resources	1,095	1,070	-25	-19	-6
Legal & Electoral	896	923	27	126	-99
Finance	2,441	2,469	28	0	28
ICT	3,018	2,885	-134	-11	-123
Policy & Communication	3,665	3,445	-220	-139	-81
Special Projects	14	14	0	0	0
Total	13,198	12,326	-427	-166	-261

Director's summary

The Directorate was forecasting a year-end under spend of £166,000 at Month 9, which was increased to a forecast under spend of £289,000 by Month 11. During Month 12, Legal & Electoral received unexpected income of £34,000 from Central Government to provide support to Local Authorities as a result of the revocation of the Personal Searches fees, and a further £34,000 was awarded by the High Court in the Renaissance litigation as contribution to the Council's legal costs. Neither of these amounts could have been forecast as notification was not received until Month 12. Detailed explanations of the variance to Month 9 are explained in the detail below.

There were a number of other pressures emerging in year but management action was put in place to address these largely through reduced levels of staffing and holding back on non essential expenditure.

The directorate met its MVF target of £354,000 and in addition achieved vacancy savings in excess of the £200,000 recruitment freeze target. The vacancy savings have contributed to the year end under spend and have formed a large part of the Targeted Savings Plan for 2011-12.